LOUISVILLE METRO GOVERNMENT ETHICS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES January 22, 2015 @ 4:00 p.m. MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ms. Thelma Clemons

Mr. Terry Conway

Mr. Jonathan Ricketts

Ms. Enid Trucios-Haynes

Ms. Susan Rhodes

Ms. Vicki Tabler

Mr. Skip Daleure

METRO STAFF & LEGAL COUNSEL

Ms. Deborah Kent, Legal Counsel Ms. Rhonda Williams, Paralegal

Meeting Called to Order

Chairman Ricketts called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Approval of the Minutes

Commissioner Conway moved to approve minutes of November 25, 2014, and Commissioner Daleure seconded the motion.

New Business

Request for Advisory Opinion 15-O-001

The request addressed LMO 21.02(G) regarding a conflict between an officer's financial interest in an organization representing clients before Metro agencies and the public interest. The Commission reviewed a draft opinion that the officer's financial interest in the organization was too remote to create a conflict because the financial interest arose from a retirement plan in which the terms were fixed, and any financial gain from from the organization's representation of clients was not likely create any financial gain for the officer.

On Chairman Rickett's motion, seconded by Commissioner Trucios-Haynes, the Commission approved the draft opinion subject to additional language that specific situations could create conflicts, for example, if the officer had been personally involved in the representation prior to leaving the organization. The Motion passed and Commissioner Daleure asked legal counsel to convey this information to the officer until the opinion is finalized.

Adjournment

Commissioner Trucios-Haynes motioned to adjourn and Commissioner Tabler seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.